

for the use of the State, a full set of weights and measures.

Laid on the table.

A bill requiring the holders of land claims to locate the same; read 3rd time and passed.

A bill organizing Justices Courts and defining the powers and jurisdiction of the same: read 2nd time.

Senator Hogg moved to strike out the 5th section of the bill.

*Yeas.* Senators, Grimes, Hogg, Navarro, Phillips, and Williamson—5.

*Nays.* Senators, Bagby, Bourland, Brashear, Burleson, Jewett, McKinney, McNeel, Miller, Parker, Robinson, Wallace, Williams and Wood—13.

Lost.

Senator Jewett moved to insert "a jury of the county."

Carried and bill passed to 3rd reading.

Senate adjourned, until to-morrow, 9 o'clock A. M.

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SENATE CHAMBER, }  
THURSDAY, April 30, 1846. }  
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

Senate met, pursuant to adjournment—roll called, and a quorum present.

Journals of the preceding day, read and adopted.

Senator Williams, chairman of the committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the petition of Seth Ingram,

Reported that the committee have considered the same, and are of opinion that it would be inexpedient to appropriate lands unless in accordance with laws in force previous to the annexation of Texas to the United States, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Report adopted.

Also, to whom was referred a resolution of the Senate instructing the committee to report the expediency of a bill to authorize the owners of head right certificates to locate the same in more than two places.

Reported against such permission, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Report adopted.

The committee also, in accordance with a resolution of the Senate, reported :

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal the 4th section of an act granting lands to those who were in the battle of San Jacinto and other battles, approved December 21st, 1837 read 1st time.

Senator McNeel, chairman of the committee on Education, to whom was referred a bill to incorporate the La Grange Institute, reported the same back to the Senate and recommended its passage.

Senator Williams, chairman of the committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred a bill requiring the county Surveyor of Liberty county to furnish the county Surveyor of Tyler county, with a map of the surveyed lands of Tyler county, reported a substitute for the original bill, and recommended its passage.

Substitute adopted and passed to 3rd reading.

Senator Phillips introduced a bill appropriating an office to the Clerk of the Supreme Court; read 1st time.

Rule suspended—read 2nd time and referred to Finance committee.

Senator Wood introduced the memorial of Thomas F. McKinney, praying the appointment of a select committee, to act in conjunction with a like committee of the House, to enquire if it be expedient, practicable and just, to report a bill to enable him and his partner to settle their affairs with the late Republic of Texas.

Senators Wood, Phillips, Navarro and Williamson were appointed on the part of the Senate.

Senator McNeel, chairman of the committee on Engrossed bills, reported the correct engrossment of the following bills :

A bill to authorize the Governor to appoint a private secretary.

A substitute of the Senate to a bill from the House, to have the lines surveyed between the counties of Limestone and Robertson, Limestone and Leon, and Leon and Navarro.

A bill to incorporate the La Vaca, Guadalupe and San Saba Railroad company.

A bill providing for the payment of the Commissioners appointed by the several acts passed creating new counties, where there are no provisions made in said bills for their payment.

A bill to fix the time for holding the election for members of the United States Congress.

Senator Williamson presented the memorial of Albert C. Horton, as follows: (missing.) which was made the special order of the day for to-morrow 11 o'clock.

Senator Phillips, chairman of the committee of Conference on the part of the Senate, made the following report:

The committee of Conference, appointed to take into consideration the several amendments to the bill to provide for the appointment of Patrols &c, have instructed us to recommend,

FIRST, That the Senate concur in the amendments of the House.

SECOND. That the Senate and the House agree to adopt an additional amendment to the bill, *to wit*:

In section 4th, line 17th, strike out the words "at the discretion of the Justice."

A. H. PHILLIPS,  
*Chairman on part Senate.*  
JNO. BROWN,  
*Chairman on part House.*

### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Bill to fix the time for holding elections for members of the United States Congress.

Read 3rd time and passed.

Bill providing for the payment of the Commissioners appointed by the several acts passed creating new counties, where there are no provisions made in said bills for their payment.

Read 3rd time.

Senator Wallace moved to insert the word "each" before the word commissioner.

Carried and bill passed.

Substitute of the Senate to a bill to have the lines surveyed between the counties of Limestone and Robertson.

Read 3rd time and passed.

Bill to authorize the Governor to appoint a private Secretary; read 3rd time.

Senator McKinney moved to strike out all after the word "day" in the 1st section.

Carried and bill passed.

Senator Wallace, one of the committee to whom was referred a bill to prevent the sale of ardent spirits to slaves, reported a substitute for the same.

Substitute adopted and made the special order of the day for to-morrow.

A bill to incorporate the La Vaca, Guadalupe and San Saba Railroad company; read 3rd time.

Senator Phillips moved to fill the 1st blank with "three cents," and the second blank with "25 cents per 100 lbs., for each 25 miles."

Senator Wallace moved to fill the blank with "six cents" and "50 cents."

Lost.

Question on Senator Phillips' amendment put and carried.

Yeas and nays on final passage of the bill stood thus:

*Yeas.* Senators, Bagby, Bourland, Brashear, Burleson, Hogg, Jewett, McKinney, Miller, Navarro, Parker, Phillips, Robinson, Wallace, Williams, Williamson and Wood—16.

*Nays.* Senators, Grimes and McNeel—2.

So the bill passed.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had concurred in the 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th amendments, and refused to concur in the 2nd amendment, to the bill defining the duties of the Attorney General; and informing the Senate of the appointment of Messrs. Cronican, Brown and Miller on the petition of T. F. McKinney; and that the House recede from their amendments requiring county surveyors to record certain field notes.

Bill regulating elections.

Senator Grimes moved to strike out "5 o'clock."

Carried.

Senator McNeel moved to insert "4 o'clock."

Carried—bill read 3rd time and passed.

Bill making valid all patents issued in the name of deceased persons; read 3rd time and referred to committee on Public Lands.

Bill to provide for the loss of field notes of surveyors; read 2nd time and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Bill requiring the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents upon unconditional head right certificates for land; read 2nd time and referred to committee on Public Lands.

Joint resolution for the relief of Charles B. Snow; read 1st time.

The Senate receded from their 2nd amendment to the bill defining the duties of the Attorney General.

Senator Williamson introduced a bill, to authorize the appointment of Commissioners to take the acknowledgment of

deeds and other instruments of writing executed out of the State.

Read 1st time—rule suspended—read 2nd time and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Williams introduced a bill to authorize a special term of the District Court in Red River county.

Read 2nd time and referred to Judiciary committee.

Senator Williams, chairman of the Select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Gen. N. Terrell, reported that, in the opinion of the committee, the state of the finances would not justify the granting of the prayer of the petitioner, and requested to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

On motion of Senator Jewett, the bills to authorize the Governor to procure and have copied a full set of weights and measures for the use of the several counties in the State, was taken up; read 3rd time and passed.

On motion of Senator McKinney, Senator Bourland was added to the select committee appointed to destroy the seals of the late Republic of Texas.

A bill organizing Justices Courts, and defining their powers and jurisdiction; read 3rd time and passed.

Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

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SENATE CHAMBER, }  
FRIDAY, May 1st, 1846. }  
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

Senate met, pursuant to adjournment, roll called and a quorum present.

Journals of the preceding day were read and adopted.

Senator McKinney, chairman of the committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred a bill to incorporate the Colorado and Wilson creek Railroad company, reported the following amendments, and recommended the passage of the bill.

In section 3, strike out all after the word "shall" in 3rd line to the 14th line and insert "have the right of constructing a Railroad from the head of the Raft to some eligible point on Wilson